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INVEST IN A GYMNASIUM!

HELP BUILD SHOWER ROOMS

Invest in a gymnasium!!!

This is a new slogan for the student body of George Washington University. A gymnasium building and full equipment for all the athletic teams is a beautiful vision, and one which should not be forgotten. But a more practical scheme is at hand and one which is possible of fulfillment now!!

The scheme is one which was advanced at a Student Council meeting recently, namely, to use the two basement rooms in 2017 G Street for a locker room and a shower room.

The cost of refitting the rooms is estimated at about one thousand dollars, part of which would be defrayed by surplus funds from the Voluntary Tax and part through popular subscription among the students.

One of the rooms was furnished by the Alumni as a rest room and general headquarters for students, and could be refitted as a locker room. Steel lockers might be set around the room and the place used for a dressing room as well.

The other room contains the necessary toilet facilities, including sufficient piping to carry water for the showers. Three or four showers could be built in this space very conveniently.

Estimates from the surplus tax funds range about five hundred dollars, which, if added to a like amount subscribed by the students, would, it is thought, cover all expenses incidental to the refitting.

The popular subscription has already started with a gift of five dollars from Miss Martha McGraw, Captain of Girls' Basketball. Additional funds made payable to the Gymnasium Fund of G. W. U. and sent to the Student Council will be added to that in hand.

Some sort of equipment for taking care of suits is a prime requisite now that football and other sports are to be re-established on a more comprehensive and a much larger basis.

Football practice can only be held on some near-by field, either the Monument Grounds or the White Lot, but the players could easily change clothes here and keep their togs in better shape here than anywhere else.

The baseball team could benefit by the proposed team. At present it uses THE HATCHET Office as a general dumping ground for its miscellaneous war equipment. Perhaps the track team might make use of the new rooms. This movement for shower and locker rooms can and should be put across this year, so that it may be in readiness for the teams next fall.

The question now is, Are you going to help? Dig in your pocket and round up the loose ke-nickles and come across for a bigger G. W.

INVEST IN A GYMNASIUM!!!

SENIOR PROGRAMS DISTINCTIVE.

The program for commencement week will come in the form of a distinct innovation in the University. The Senior Class in search of novelties hit upon the plan of including in the June Week schedule a novelty folder in which will be found the programs for commencement, the baccalaureate exercises, the Promenade, the Senior Play, and pictures of several buildings belonging to the various departments in the University.

All persons attending the Prom will receive this memento, in the center of which will be found the dance program. It is planned to offer additional copies of the program for sale to those persons attending the Prom. The cover design is worked out on leather in an attractive manner and is planned to serve as a souvenir for the graduating classes.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCES SPRING ELECTIONS

The Student Council spring elections will be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, according to announcement of Walter C. Brandes, Graduate School, Chairman of the Committee on Elections of the Council.

The elections will take place at times designated below and on the posters placed in the corridors in the various schools. Ballot boxes will be placed in the corridors of the schools and official ballots printed for use of the voters. These ballots are the only ones which will be accepted in the final count.

ALL BALLOTS MUST BE SIGNED, SIGNED, SIGNED BY THE VOTERS, who must vote individually and drop the ballots personally in the boxes. The ballot boxes will be closed at 7 P. M. each night during the election, and final voting will take place before 7 P. M. on Saturday night.

The ballot boxes will be locked and the key safely stowed away in the pocket of hefty Mr. Brandes, who promises that any meddling or any duplication of ballots will reward the perpetrator with a choice (or pair, as the case may be) BLACK EYE.

Final word:—Voting will take place in the corridors, on official ballots, which MUST be SIGNED; NO electioneering will be permitted in the vicinity of the boxes; the boxes will be carefully guarded at all times and any vicious meddling will be summarily dealt with.

The rules for voting, according to schools, are as follows:

ARTS AND SCIENCES.

Ballot boxes will be placed in the corridor of Lisner Hall for the use of the voters in Columbian College, Engineering, and Teachers' College. The official ballots will be distributed all day and the boxes open for voting all day also.

The following are the candidates from the three colleges:

COLUMBIAN COLLEGE.

(Vote for three)

Anderson, Robert N.
Arnold, Rosemary.
Johnson, Russel M.
Newman, Harry W.
Rhame, Harold E.
Symmonds, Kathryn.
Waring, Martha.
Wilfley, Katherine.

ENGINEERING COLLEGE.

(Vote for two)

Campbell, Richard D.
Ladd, John G.
Scott, Walter C.
Strang, Harry L.

TEACHERS' COLLEGE.

(Vote for one)

Wooster, Vivian.

LAW SCHOOL.

(Vote for three)

(The ballot boxes in the Law School will be open from 5 to 7 P. M. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.)

Hodge, Malcolm.
Larsen, John E.
Lodge, Thomas E.
Marshall, Edith.
Nichols, Ross M.
Park, Frances.
Shinnick, H. H.
Underwood, Eugene.
Watkins, John D.
Yates, F. J.
Young, J. D.

MEDICAL SCHOOL.

(Vote for one)

(The ballot boxes in the Medical School will be open all day.)

Earnest, John Paul, Jr.
Jones, R. V.
Macklin, Harold.
Taylor, Robert.

TRACK TEAM WINS FIRST HONORS IN PENN MEET

George Washington's relay team strode home to glory and first place to the tune of 3:40 2-5 in the one mile college relay race in the Penn meet at Philadelphia last Saturday afternoon, incidentally winning the only "first" for any of the Southern colleges represented.

This victory bears out the hopes and ambitions the team has had all this year and gains a real banner for the University for the first time in several years.

Loehler, Henderson, Stevens, and Knight, who composed the team, ran a fine race against the six other colleges, Franklin and Marshall, Brooklyn, St. Johns (Annapolis), Geneva, Manhattan, and Carnegie Tech, and were rewarded by the gift of a gold watch as an emblem of the meet.

The team brought home a trophy in the form of a big pennant with the names of the competing colleges inscribed in gold lettering.

SENIOR CLASS ESTABLISHES PRECEDENT—JUNE WEEK

The Senior Classes of George Washington University are going to establish another precedent this year, which, it is hoped, shall live as long as our Alma Mater may continue her glorious career.

This idea is to create a June Week, a time at which the Alumnae of University may return to help each graduating class celebrate the happy and successful climax of its University career. After the hard and strenuous application to studies necessary to merit that coveted diploma, what more fitting climax is possible than a week of jollification and relaxation.

During this week all hardships and moments of anxiety will be forgotten. Those hours of midnight study will be far distant memories. All shall be happiness and play! A week of pleasure before we enter the more exacting and serious field of graduate days. Graduates of previous days will return from all parts of the world and from all professions to help each new class celebrate its graduation. Everyone will increase his circle of friends, revive his memories of the traditions of our University and make possible that greater fullness of life that comes only by continued and renewed social contact.

All the various departments are uniting this year, forgetting whether they are Medics or Lawyers, Nurses or Engineers, Dents or Teachers, and remembering only that we are Seniors of George Washington University. The success of this year's attempt is largely up to the spirit of each and every student in the University. It will be a success if we can have cooperation. All the Fraternities and Societies, all undergraduate classes and other University organizations are to refrain from planning any social events during June Week. Let all the energy and clever ideas of the student body be directed toward a real June Week for George Washington University.

The calendar of events will start with the Baccalaureate Sermon on Sunday, May 30th, the Senior Prom on Monday, May 31st, and run through Thursday, June 3rd. A complete calendar of events will be published in the near future. Let all your "pep" be reserved for this week when the present college year will be "finished off" in an appropriate way. Talk it up! Boost it! Help make June Week a success!

PHARMACY SCHOOL.

(Vote for one)

Parker, C. Walter.
Warfield, Ashby.

Saturday proved a good day for the meet, the stiff wind blowing across the track field with just enough sun to add tang to the atmosphere.

Loehler started the race from the team's fine position at the pole, lagged behind at fourth place until about one hundred yards from the tape when, with a burst of speed, he finished a strong second.

Henderson went back again to fourth and passed the baton to Stevens, who dropped to fifth, but when within one hundred and fifty yards of the finish spurred ahead and gave Karl Knight a five-yard lead. Knight, with a Gettysburg man at his heels, ran steadily until seventy-five yards from the tape, when with a wonderful burst of speed, he dashed ahead to a finish, fifteen yards ahead of his nearest competitor.

Cheers were a plenty for G. W.'s game team, which was clearly distinguished by the big "G. W.'s" on their sweaters. The spectators, perhaps, realized the spirit and vim with which the team fought for position and were moved accordingly to sound their praises.

This victory puts George Washington in a position to compete for South Atlantic honors in future years, probably next year, and may be the beginning of a very successful track life for the school.

The Washington papers were outspoken in praise of the team. Said *The Post*:

One of the finest victories of the day for the Southern delegation fell to the lot of the George Washington quartet, which won its class race by 15 yards. Loehler gave his team a slight lead over Gettysburg in the first relay. Henderson was overhauled, but Stevens and Karl Knight, in order, came through in remarkable form in the closing quarter mile, and the latter, by a fine sprint in the stretch, while his opponent was fading, made the margin of victory 15 yards.

And *The Star* added:
G. W. U. ONLY LOCAL QUARTET TO WIN AT PENN YESTERDAY.

George Washington University's relay team was the only one of the four representing Washington institutions to come through with a victory yesterday at the University of Pennsylvania relay races. The Hatchettes captured a mile event in which Gettysburg ran second and Franklin and Marshall third.

While Bryan Motse, in *The Times*, wrote that George Washington "scored the only outright win of first class."



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"HOORAY FOR THE TRACK TEAM"

The atmosphere and air around THE HATCHET Office was cool and clear last Saturday evening and the setting sun cast fanciful shadows over the back campus, when a Western Union satellite burst through the peaceful mists of departed classes and delivered a telegram to the Editor, which read: "George Washington wins relay at Penn Relays. Hooray!—Smith, Manager."

And the fitful shadows disappeared and the mists vanished under the re-awakened smiling of Old Sol, while the W. U. satellite departed at full speed, convinced that George Washington was filled with manias if judged from the yells that floated north from THE HATCHET Office windows.

George Washington had won in the biggest outdoor classic of the country and the "Hoorays" were—and are—in order—hooray for the men who worked so untiringly under difficulties—hooray for the manager who managed so well—and a BIG hooray for the coach, Harry Knight, who put the team through its paces and made possible this exuberance.

All honor to the track team and its coach, all glory to the men who have walked off with this signal victory and put G. W. U. on the map—in Philadelphia at least!!

The team deserves the greatest credit for the way it has worked this year and for the fine team it has put out from a mere handful of aspirants. The team officials have met all difficulties creditably and the coach has done wonders under the circumstances.

George Washington is fortunate to have this same man—Harry Knight—to coach its team and may well hope that he will see fit to continue putting out winners next year.

The banner the team brought home with it is a beauty and the watches it won are but cheap recognition for the work it has done.

Spurred to greater victories in the years to come, the team has set its face to the West and, figuratively, will carry out Horace Greeley's famous injunction to young men next year.

The track men have starred in winning perhaps the biggest athletic honor for the University this year, and they may well feel that their victory is one of achievement.

The track team has fought and won—HATS OFF TO THE TRACK TEAM!!!

The way that the track team took the Penn Relays shows that part of G. W. U. is not so slow in putting things over.

Who is this fellow Gym they seem to want so bad?

The attendance in classes seems to be improving now that finals are almost upon us.

Cheer up! In three weeks we will be rating a three-month vacation.

Wonder if Burbank couldn't graft cuts onto classes and get credits.

If the Freshmen can stage a Prom, like that when they are so young, what will they do when they become Seniors?

COLUMBIA SENIORS TO MEET.

The monthly meeting of Columbian Seniors will be held on Thursday evening, May 13 at 8:15 in the Chapel. All Seniors are urged to be present and Seniors of other departments cordially invited to attend. Plans for June Week will be discussed! Important that every Senior be there.

SENIOR TEACHERS MEET.

Cards for the Senior Endowment Fund were distributed at a meeting held by the Senior class of the Teachers' College, April 24th, at the home of Miss Mollie B. Weyman, 3066 13th St. N. W. It was urged that the class be one hundred per cent contributors. After a discussion of plans for Senior week refreshments were served.

Stupid Stephen Says

"PRETTY SOON A FELLOW'LL HAVE A HARD TIME FIGURING WHETHER TO TAKE HER TO KEITH'S OR FOR A STREET CAR RIDE."

"YOU TELL 'EM, SHOE, YOU GOT THE TONGUE."

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Dear Stupe:

Why has everyone been wearing their old clothes lately;

Answer: "Waddumean 'lately?'"

Dear Steve:

Please give me two examples of the height of expectation.

B. V. D.

Dear B. V. D.

(1) The prospective Seniors having their pictures taken for *The Cherry Tree*, before exams, and (2) an ambulance following an aeroplane.

Dear Stupe:

How can you tell which is the best man at a wedding?

P. D. Q.

Dear P. D. Q.:

Pick a fight with all of them, and you'll soon know.

Dear Mr. Stephan:

I have been going for some time with a certain young man, and have given up a lot of my "old flames" for his sake. Now I rarely see anything of him, and he explains his absence by saying that he is busy, always busy. How can I tell who he goes out with evenings, and what he does nights?

Answer: Marry him.

DO YOU WANT TO SEE ITALY?

A semi-official students' trip to Italy is being considered by a committee formed at Johns Hopkins for the summer of 1921.

In a letter to Dr. Collier, Mr. George Grotz, chairman of the committee, explains that the tentative plans of the trip are: if a sufficient number of students support the trip, they will be reviewed in Italy by the Italian Students' Association and by the Italian authorities. It is hoped that the support of the faculties and students of the leading Universities of this country will be secured, and that committees will be formed to promote the plans.

The expenses will be about three hundred dollars, but may be reduced to two hundred if a great number of students support the trip.

SIGMA CHI ACCEPTS PHI SIGMA KAPPA CHALLENGE.

The Sigma Chi fraternity has accepted the challenge of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity to a series of ball games the first of which will be played Sunday, May 9th, on Diamond No. 9, Potomac Park, starting at 10:30 A. M. The outlook is that the games will be hotly contested, for a loving cup will be presented to the fraternity winning two out of three games. Quite a number of people, including representatives of the sororities, have said they will be on hand to cheer for? so everyone come out and see the fun. The captain of the Sigma Chi team was heard to remark that his battery would be Hannah and Burton, while Nagle, of the Phi Sib crew, dropped the dope that Clifford and Holmgren would support his bunch. Standing room on sale at THE HATCHET Office.

Maryland State Chapter of Kappa Alpha invited George Washington chapter to their dance at the Washington Club last Friday night, April 30. There was good music and a swell time. Refreshments were served in the intermission and at 12:30 the crowd dispersed, all having enjoyed a most pleasant evening.

EMULATE THE SNAKE? WELL RATHER!

"Emulate the Snake," they said—and emulate it they did—those fifty or sixty G. W. lads who paraded snakily around the back campus and downtown last Saturday.

The snake line formed in front of the A. & S. building shortly after the noon whistle had uncovered sundry dinner pails and L. L. L. boxes and proceeded to "stomp, stomp, stomp" all over the pretty green grass (?) of the north campus.

The line proceeded thence due east to F Street, with the slogan, "Old Clothes—Wear 'Em Out," properly chanted in two sections, six flats and with variations.

Oh, yes—the snake line wormed across F Street, much to the discomfort of the maudlin ladies and death-defying cake-eaters that adorn the sidewalks.

"Old Clothes—Wear 'Em Out" won't be forgotten soon by the ones who saw the snaky procession.

W. U. C. ANNOUNCES ELECTION.

The officers of the Women's University Club announce May 14th as the date for election of next year's officers. The election committee will present at that time recommendations for at least two candidates for each office. At a meeting of the club last week Agnes Nelson, chairman of the committee, reported the following rules to govern the balloting:

(1) Only members in good standing will be allowed to vote; May 7th is the last date on which payment for dues will be received.

(2) No proxies will be allowed.

(3) Petition for nominees must be signed by at least twenty members.

MEDICAL GRADS MAKE GOOD

The graduates of the Medical School of George Washington University were one of three groups to have no failures as a result of the examinations before the state medical boards during the year 1919.

The State Board number of the Journal of the American Medical Association for this week gives figures showing the per cent of failures of graduates of the leading medical schools of the country. Thirty-three graduates of George Washington University took the examinations.

The following gives results for the leading medical schools in the United States:

Medical School.	Per cent of Failures.
George Washington Univ.....	0.0
Georgetown Univ.....	13.0
Howard Univ.....	24.1
Northwestern.....	3.6
Illinois.....	3.7
Johns Hopkins.....	3.5
Maryland.....	8.2
Harvard.....	3.0
Tufts.....	13.7
Michigan.....	4.2
Detroit.....	5.7
Albany.....	14.8
Columbia.....	8.1
Cornell.....	7.3
Syracuse.....	0.0
Long Island.....	11.8
Bellevue.....	12.6
Jefferson.....	5.2
Pennsylvania.....	8.5
Vermont.....	19.4
Medical College of Virginia.....	35.6
University of Virginia.....	0.0
McGill.....	23.1
Average of all Medical Colleges.....	14.3

K. A. TO DANCE IN OVERALLS.

On Saturday evening, May 8, the Kappa Alpha Fraternity will have a dance at their chapter house, 2511 14th Street N. W. This dance will carry out the idea of the "Overall" movement now having such a popular recognition over the country. Men do not necessarily have to appear in overalls, but will be admitted if wearing clothes of a "ripe old age." Girls are expected to be adorned in calico evening gowns. Good music has been engaged.



A joint graduation dance will be held by Alpha and Gamma Chapters of Phi Alpha at the Dewey Hotel on May 15th.

Zeta Chapter of Sigma Kappa entertained at a tea at the College Women's Club on Saturday, April 17th, in honor of her patronesses.

The Freshmen of Zeta Chapter of Sigma Kappa entertained the upper classmen at a vaudeville show on Friday, April 23rd, at the College Women's Club.

Helen Hosford, Eliza Moncure, Peggy Foster and Eunice Crabtree spent the last week-end at Annapolis as the guests of Lt. Commander and Mrs. James Brenner.

Georgia Long has been visiting for a week at Lehigh University.

J. R. Boyd and Paul Cathcart represented Delta Pi Chapter of Sigma Nu at the annual convention of the Chapters of the First Division held on April 24th at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.

Delta Pi, of Sigma Nu, held its spring initiations May 1st. The following men were initiated: Hillory A. Tolson, Clyde A. Tolson, Carswell Chandler, and Francis McKoy.

THE A-C-Es HOP!

On the evening of April 29th the Crystal Room of the New Ebbitt witnessed an assemblage of intellect of such degree as has never before been seen at any G. W. U. social function. It was on this evening that the brains of the University (Engineers, Chemists, Architects) stepped out "en grande tenue" to the syncopated and jazz renditions of the Gotham Jazz Band, a contingent of wild musicians from the Dental School.

The "Lucile," "Duff Gordon," and "Worth" creations worn by the fair sex were such as to far remove the affair from the "rag dance" as it was referred to in one of our daily journals.

About eight couples were present, including Dr. and Mrs. Hodgkins. The doctor remained until the last of his engineers had been safely stored in a taxi and started on his way.

RED CROSS INVITES TO CELEBRATION.

The American Red Cross extends a special invitation to the women of George Washington University to attend a celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale, on May 13th, at 8 o'clock in Central High School Auditorium.

A program including many interesting features has been prepared and a large attendance is expected.

Professor Halsey took his classes in thermodynamics and steam turbines on an inspection trip of the Benning Power Plant last week. The classes were shown the turbo-generator which was recently wrecked by a short circuit and which is now undergoing repairs. The men made a close study of the method used in reblading the turbine.

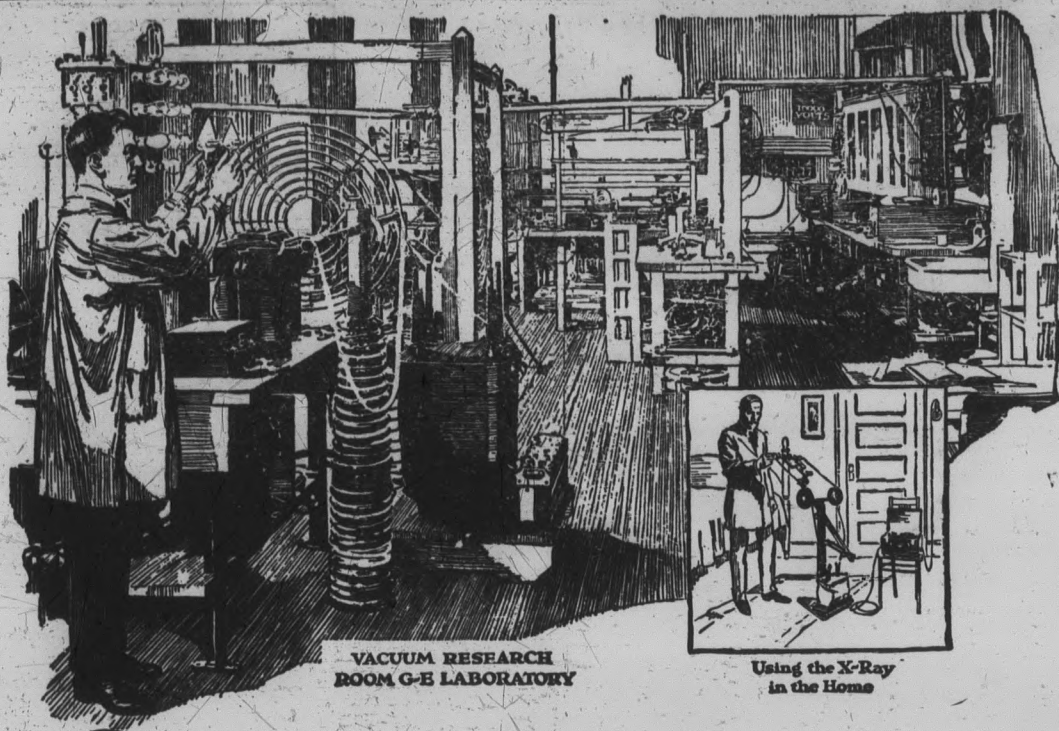
Piquancy was added to the occasion by the sad misfortune of Harry Newcomer. While inspecting the construction of a baffle wall he fell into a box filled with mortar, and when rescued he presented a sad sight.

Oregon.

By a vote of the student body recently a ban has been put on all formality at social affairs, including "monkey suits."

Southern California.

Dr. William C. Smith, of the University of Chicago, will begin work as professor of sociology in the fall.



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DEAR HATCHET:

"Hail thou Goddess, sage and holy,
Hail divinest Melancholy!"

—Il Penseroso.

Since my last letter to you I have been assiduously engaged in weighty and pensive reflection. In fact, so well have I affected the role of the thoughtful student and the boresome bookworm that my friends say I am beginning to take on the mien of a "Yon Cassius," especially the "lean and hungry" part. But this latter can best be explained by the fact that I always make a habit of dieting for five or six days before every Government pay day.

But perhaps you are interested in knowing something about the cogitation that has of late been perturbing my otherwise cobwebby cortex. To break the news as gently as possible, I will say that after deliberate consideration I have at last come to the definite conclusion that our system of education at George Washington University, while broad and comprehensive in its literary curriculum, is yet sadly lacking in some of the subjects which sometimes are considered the less essential, but which, nevertheless, are very essential, when it comes to the distinguishing characteristics of an educated man or woman.

The brief twenty minutes just before classes that we P. W. D. (Poor Working Devils) have for friendly greeting and mutual association is entirely too short. More especially is this true, if some

other guy is monopolizing your nearest and dearest. Oh, what paroxysms of choleric rage sometimes swell the noble soul of the male of the species on these occasions! It is surely sometimes fortunate for someone that there are no bricks loose on the campus.

But to get back to us P. W. D.—why are we pursuing our studies? (Mine are greatly in advance of me at present.) Why are we in search of the Golden Fleece as the noble Jason? Are we in search of knowledge for its own sake? Is it our desire to be simply bookworms crawling our way along through the cloistered seclusion of the classrooms and the back halls? Or do we want to be broad and open-minded individuals who have the ability to face the world with an eye of intelligence and reason? (Certain Prof., please excuse the word reason.)

For what shall it profit a man if he can speak Greek, Latin, French, and Profane; if he is conversant with Dante, Shakespeare, and Stupid Steven, if "at one fell swoop" he shall ruin it all by shaking hands with the butler or mistaking the maid for the hostess, as it is reported that some of our worthy students have already done?

Or what benefit to us is a splendid comprehension of the daily habits and the small talk of the people of the Elizabethan era, if we mark not the scornful look of the proud waiter at inadequate remuneration or the startled

countenance of the hat boy at a burst of uncalled for generosity?

Then again what is the difficulty of mastering the rather simple problems of analytics and of heat and thermodynamics as compared with the more intricate question of the "Angle of Repose" of a T-Cup? (See Eng. Dept. and T-Hound.)

In view of these facts, my dear HATCHET, what we need is a liberal education. Of course, we may stand around on the campus and absorb some of the requisite knowledge; at least, those of us with the inquiring mind and the brain like a sponge. But this method is entirely inadequate. What we really need is courses of instruction established for our enlightenment along the lines just indicated. I have not a doubt but that there are several of our brilliant youth who would be only too glad to serve us as student assistants in such a great and noble undertaking.

First of all, we should establish a Department of Applied Cosmetics. For cosmetics applied with proper discretion and appropriate moderation are, indeed, a great aid in supplementing what the good Lord forgot. But when daubed on indiscriminately without thought as to position or quantity, as the sportive painter wielding the festive brush against the side of a barn—oh, merciful Heavens, spare us the sight, for Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these!

Farewell, dear HATCHET, till we meet again.

Sincerely yours,

MONSIEUR X.

(Monsieur X. is a very unassuming gentleman who prefers that his identity be hid beneath a Nom de Plume.—Editor's Note.)

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Situated at Luray are the famous caverns bearing the same name. Discovered in 1878, shortly thereafter being opened to public inspection and admiration, they have ever since been a regular visiting place for scores of tourists from all quarters of the globe, and the opinion of all who see these caverns of magic is that they stand out prominently in a class to themselves. On August 13th, 1878, when Mr. Andrew Campbell was cautiously lowered into the dark, mystic chambers of this underworld of silence and beauty he must have realized that he had discovered a place of enchantment, but the extent and variety could not have occurred to him with his first impression. While beautiful at the time of their discovery, they are now more beautiful, many improvements which have been added enabling their attractiveness to be brought out more clearly. The latest addition, that of a large spotlight being installed on the last birthday of George Washington, has a fourteen-inch reflector with a 400-candlepower lamp, and will project the light in the most remote parts of the ceiling and deepest chasm, showing detail formations more beautifully than ever seen before. An inspection party of the Smithsonian Institution says, "Comparing this great natural curiosity with others of the same class it is safe to say there is probably no other cave in the world more completely and profusely decorated with stalactitic and stalagmitic ornamentation than that of Luray." It is these caverns of wonder and delight that we propose to visit and it has been said that those who have not seen them have not traveled wisely. The surroundings are extremely pretty and rich in mountain splendor. The immediate vicinity alone would well compensate for the trip.

Leaving Washington at 10:15 P. M., we shall be aroused at Luray the next morning from a peaceful night's slumber on a commodious Pullman to find a savory country breakfast waiting to be enjoyed by members of our little party, after which a short spin in motor busses will land at the entrance of the caverns, so fittingly called by an experienced European traveler "The Miracles in Stone." After a few hours of pleasant strolling in this underworld castle, on being transferred to the village, a relishing dinner, especially prepared in all the bewitching ways so common to the country, will be ready to satisfy the appetite that no doubt will be cultivated while on our tour of inspection. After enjoying our meal, together with a short rest, we shall then be ready to start on our return trip for Washington.

At this point attention must be called to the fact that on this portion of the trip, we will have an opportunity to get a faint idea of Harpers Ferry, and from the viewpoint of those versed in travel, it is preferable to approach this point of interest, made so familiar by John Brown, at dusk and get your first view of the famous old arsenal as it is fading into western darkness, thus a chance to see it as it appeared when a body of United States soldiers swooped

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